
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (Statutory Committee, Scrutiny Committee and Advisers) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

Requirements to give or repeat advice in public

21.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) any advice tendered by a legal, clinical or specialist adviser at a meeting or hearing of the Statutory Committee must be tendered in the presence of every party, or person representing a party, in attendance at the meeting or hearing.

(2) Where the Statutory Committee has begun to deliberate on its decision and needs to obtain advice in the course of its deliberations, a legal adviser may tender advice to that Committee notwithstanding the absence of the parties or any person representing a party.

(3) Where advice is tendered in the absence of the parties or their representative in accordance with paragraph (2)

- (a) the legal adviser must repeat the advice tendered to the Statutory Committee before the parties, or any person representing a party, in attendance at the hearing; and
- (b) the parties or their representatives in attendance at the hearing must be provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the advice given by the legal adviser, before the Statutory Committee makes its decision on the issue under consideration.